

### **REMARKS**

This Amendment is responsive to the January 14, 2010 Office Action. Claims 22 and 34 have been amended and claim 38 has been cancelled. Claims 22-37 and 39-42 will be pending upon entry of this Amendment.

#### **Allowable Subject Matter**

The Examiner states on page 4 of the Office Action that claims 29 and 37 are allowed and claims 34 and 38 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 22 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 38. Claim 34 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 22 and 33. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 22 and 34 are now in condition for allowance. Claims 23-28, 30-33, 35, 36, and 39-42 depend from independent claim 22, either directly or indirectly, and are also believed to be in condition for allowance.

#### **Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103**

Claims 22-26, 28, 30-32, 36, and 39-42 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) for anticipation by United States Patent No. 6,626,314 to McHenry et al. Claim 27 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for obviousness over McHenry in view of United States Patent No. 3,313,445 to Brandl. Claims 30 and 31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for obviousness over McHenry. Claims 33 and 35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for obviousness over McHenry in view of United States Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0115977 to Dibdin et al.

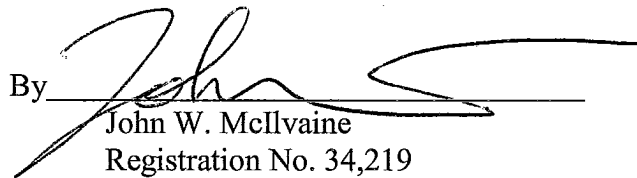
Applicant respectfully submits that these rejections have been rendered moot in view of the foregoing amendments.

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**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of pending claims 22-37 and 39-42.

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